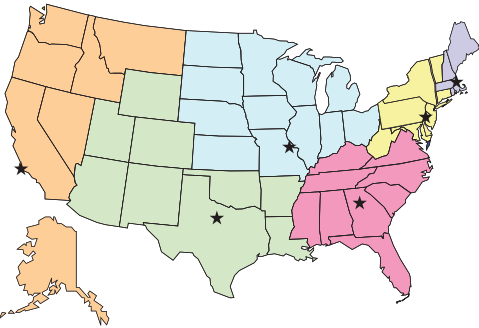


DCMA CIC Fraud Program Geographical Coverage



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- ★ St. Louis, MO - (314) 331-5232
- ★ Boston, MA - (617) 753-4343
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- ★ Atlanta, GA - (678) 503-6042
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■ *What must I be alert for?*

You must be alert to and report all situations where you feel that it is possible the Government has been (or is being) defrauded or victimized by some sort of wrongdoing. These situations may be observed by you personally or brought to your attention by another person, frequently, a contractor employee.

Here are some examples:

- Defective products or services*
- Billing for non-delivered supplies*
- Failure to conduct all required tests*
- Falsification of documents*
- Cost mischarging*
- Defective cost and pricing data*
- Progress payment irregularities*
- Pre-award survey irregularities*
- Payment of kickbacks*
- Bribes and gratuities*
- Improper solicitations for employment*
- Conflicts of interest*
- Theft or misuse of government property*

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The
**Defense Contract
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**Contract
Integrity
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DCMA Fraud Counsel

DCMA Contract Integrity Center

Who we are:

The DCMA Contract Integrity Center (CIC), as operated by the Office of General Counsel, has attorneys geographically dispersed across the U.S. Their positions are 100% dedicated to the prevention, detection, investigation and prosecution of allegations of fraud and other misconduct. There is a strong focus on assisting contract administration through coordination of remedies and process improvement. The ultimate goal is to reduce fraud through vigilance, deterrence and efficient and effective business practices.

How it is done:

As a **PREVENTATIVE measure**, all DCMA employees periodically receive training in Fraud Awareness Topics, which emphasize indicators of fraud, the responsibility of all employees to detect such matters, and their **DUTY** to report suspected fraud and cooperate with investigators and prosecutors. The training is tailored to the needs of the audience and includes areas of current interest. It is normally personally conducted by Fraud Counsel to ensure that actual examples may be presented and questions answered. Fraud Counsel also utilize electronic and other media to publicize on-going initiatives and to provide program reminders (for example the DCMA CIC Focus on Fraud newsletter).

Outside of DCMA, Fraud Counsel also provide training and briefings to investigators from the DoDIG, USN, USA, USAF and prosecutors from the DoJ. Upon request, presentations are also made to various professional organizations. Fraud Counsel also participate in working groups and committees formed to address specific problems and issues.

Case Tracking - Fraud Counsel continually monitor all aspects of open matters. Case closeout is not permitted until all available remedies (criminal, civil, contractual and administrative) are completed. This process requires coordination with investigators, prosecutors (civil and criminal), contracting personnel and appropriate agency officials responsible for the debarment and suspension of non-responsible contractors.

Case Initiation - All reported instances of fraud or other irregularity are reviewed to determine if further investigation is warranted. This includes collection of data, identification of key witnesses and assessment of the facts. Referrals are made directly to local offices of cognizant investigative agencies.

Investigative Support - Legal advice and counsel is provided to the DCIS, AFOSI, NCIS, USACID, as well as to the FBI, Customs, and other investigative agencies. The support includes the identification of resources; obtaining and interpreting documents; identifying witnesses; assistance in the preparation of subpoenas and search warrants; arranging for the testing of suspected defective products; identification of potential criminal or civil violations; and counsel on investigative approaches.

Prosecutive Support - Assistant U.S. Attorneys and DoJ Attorneys are supported through discussion of case strategies; drafting of indictments and information; preparation of legal briefs; assistance in Grand Jury matters; interviews of witnesses; assistance in or conducting of depositions; preparing and responding to interrogatories; and in certain cases, appointment as Special Assistant U.S. Attorneys providing direct prosecutorial effort.

Performance Outcomes - Concentrating on customer outcomes and the consequences of failures, case results are analyzed for trends and process or systemic concerns. Findings are coordinated with DCMA, customer, and/or contractor personnel to achieve process improvement and minimize recurrence.

Common Questions:

Am I required to report suspected fraud?

Yes. Presidential Executive Order 12731 requires all federal employees to disclose suspected waste, fraud, abuse and corruption. This includes instances discovered through DCAA audits.

How much information must I have to make a report?

Very little. An initial report is often nothing more than an alert to a suspicious situation.

Can I remain anonymous?

Yes. FraudNet, available on the DCMA public web site, provides a mechanism to make anonymous reports.

Is reporting my suspicions to my supervisors sufficient?

NO. You are required by DCMA policy to report any suspicion of fraud to the Contract Integrity Center. While you are not required to do so, you are encouraged to also notify your chain of command.

Should I notify the contractor of my suspicions and ask for an explanation?

NO, DEFINITELY NOT. Alerting the contractor to your suspicions may compromise an investigation. You should not have any discussions with the contractor about fraud allegations and should consult with your CIC counsel and investigators if you feel contact is necessary.